(b) if so, whether the project report has not been cleared so far;

(c) whether the State Government has already initiated the acquisition/alienation of land required for the project; and

(d) if so, what are the main reasons for delay in clearing the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) to (d) The Hyderabad Metro 650 MW combined cycle Gas Power Project was earmaked to NTPC by Andhra Pradesh Government in March, 1995. Central Electricity Authority has already accorded in principle clearance to the project on the Feasibility Report submitted to them in August, 1995. NTPC has submitted the land acquisition proposal. Land survey has already been completed by the Andhra Pradesh Revenue Department and action initiated for alienation of land required for the project.

Pending Joint Venture Communications Projects

76. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the joint venture projects of the Ministry of Communications pending for want of clearance by the Central Government during the last three years;

(b) what are the details thereof country-wise, location-wise, and cost-wise; and

(c) in what manner Government propose to streamline procedures for speedy clearance and toning up of the infrastructure, as a whole of such projects?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA): (a) and (b) In so far as Public Sector Undertakings of the Department of Telecom., Ministry of Communications are concerned, there is only joint venture project pending for clearance by the Government.

This project is regarding setting up of a joint venture company by M/s ITI Ltd. Bangalore with M/s Sapura Holdings Sdn.Bhd., Malaysia and M/s Tata Telecom. Ltd., India for providing Paging Services in Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka Telecom. Circles.

The issued share capital of the company is proposed to be Rs.45 crores within one year from the date of incorporation in the following manner:

M/s ITI Ltd.	35% (Rs.15.75 crores)
M/s Tata Telecom. Ltd.	35% (Rs.15.75 crores)
M/s Sapura Holdings Sdn.Bhd., Malaysia	30% (Rs.13.50 crores)

(c) Govt. policy is constantly reviewed so as to streamline the procedures for speedy clearance of the joint venture projects particularly in priority/core sector including infrastructure.

मध्य प्रदेश में गांवों का विद्युतीकरण

77. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) ग्रामीण विद्युतीकरण निगम द्वारा वर्ष 93-94 से 94-95 तक वर्ष-वार मध्य प्रदेश के कितने गांवों के विद्युतीकरण हेतु परियोजनाओं को स्वीकृति दी गई एवं उसके लिए कितनी धनराशि प्रति वर्ष उपलब्ध कराई गई है;

(ख) इस अवधि में निर्धारित लक्ष्य के विरुद्ध वास्तव में कितने गांवों का विद्युतीकरण संपन्न हुआ;

(ग) ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में विद्युतीकरण करने एवं ग्रामों को विद्युतीकृत घोषित किए जाने के लिए कौन से मानदण्ड निर्धारित किए गए हैं; और

(घ) मध्य प्रदेश में जिले वार विद्युतीकृत घोषित ग्रामों की ओर वास्तव में विद्युत प्रदाय विगत दो वर्षों से भी अधिक समय से न हो पाने वाले गांवों की संख्या तथा नामों का ब्यौरा क्या है?

विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डॉ० एस० वेणुगोपालाचारी): (क) ग्रामीण विद्युतीकरण निगम द्वारा वर्ष 1993-94 और 1994-95 के दौरान स्वीकृत